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PAUSES OR HYPOPNEA IN AN ACTIVE
IMPLANTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE OF THE
CARDIAC PACEMAKER, DEFIBRILLATOR,
CARDIOVERTOR OR MULTISITE DEVICE TYPE

Examiner

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New York, N.Y. 10103

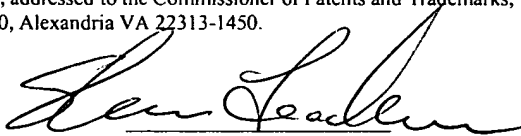
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Applicants bring to the Examiner's attention that the enclosed references were cited in the Search Report which issued in connection with French patent application no. 02 13356 from which the present application claim priority. Applicants note that U.S. Patent 6,574,507 is an English language equivalent to EP 970713 A1.

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